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Is prepared to do surveying in any part of the county, at day or night. Office in the Court House, Woodland.
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CLAPP & PARKER,
PRACTICAL
Watchmakers, Jewelers
AND OPTICIANS,
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CAREFULLY AND PROMPTLY REPAIRED.
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TO SUIT ALL EYES.
All Watches or Clocks for repair, or orders for
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the patronage of the traveling and resident public
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**GOOD BOARDING AND COMFORT-
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AT REASONABLE PRICES by the DAY or WEEK.
The TABLE will be supplied with the best market
foods.
No Chinese Cooks Employed.
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MEALS, '35 Cents.
Lodgings, 25 and 50 Cents.
Free Coach to the Hotel. Exchange Office, Barber
Shop, Bath Rooms and Laundry in the House.
Shower Baths FREE to the Public.
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Saloons, Wine and Billiard
PARLORS,
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Choice Wines, Liquors and Cigars.
A RIVE BILLIARD TABLE HAS
JUST BEEN SET UP.
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Centennial Saloon,
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Where can be found a choice supply of
WINE, LIQUORS, LAGER BEER,
AND CIGARS of the favorite brands.
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WINE AND BILLIARD
PARLORS,
Sackett's Building, Main St., bet. Rail-
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T. B. LYON, - PROPRIETOR.
THE BEST OF
WINE, LIQUORS AND CIGARS
On hand; also, a First-class
BILLIARD TABLE.
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EL DORADO BILLIARD ROOM,
MAIN STREET, WINTERS.
Fresh California and Eastern
OYSTERS,
IN ALL STYLES.
THE BEST WINE, LIQUORS AND CIGARS
constantly on hand.
HARRY BARR, Prop'r.
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EMPIRE SALOON,
Corner Main and Second Streets,
WOODLAND.
G. W. BENTLEY, - Proprietor.
THE BEST OF WINE, LIQUORS AND CIGARS
always on hand.
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Stationery and News Depot,
POST OFFICE BUILDING,
WINTERS.
E. FERGUSON
Has a Large Select Stock of
BLANK BOOKS,
SCHOOL BOOKS,
MISCELLANEOUS BOOKS,
SHEET MUSIC, Etc.
Also all the Latest Newspapers,
FINEST CIGARS and TOBACCO
ALWAYS ON HAND.
All of which I propose to sell CHEAP
FOR CASH.
1215-16

BROWN'S
Livery and Feed Stable,
First and Baker Sts.
HORSES AND CARRIAGES
ON HAND
DAY AND NIGHT.
Horses Boarded by Day or Month
AT REASONABLE RATES.
E. BROWN, Prop'r.
1215-16

Pioneer Drug Store.

THOMAS KEEFE,
HAVING PURCHASED THE DRUG STORE
OF T. M. WHITNEY, and restocked it with
Fresh Drugs and Medicines.
Wishes to notify the Citizens of Winters and
vicinity that he is now prepared to fill
PHYSICIANS' PRESCRIPTIONS
DAY OR NIGHT WITH GREAT CARE.
Also on hand a general assortment of
PATENT MEDICINES,
FANCY TOILET ARTICLES,
COLOGNES, Etc., Etc.
1215-16

PURE WINES AND LIQUORS
FOR MEDICAL USE.
FINE HAVANA CIGARS
ALWAYS ON HAND.
1215-16

TEETH EXTRACTED
WITH CARE AND SKILL.
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WINTERS
Livery and Feed Stable,
Cor. First and Abby Sts.,
WINTERS.
LIVERY STOCK
FURNISHED
On Shortest Notice.
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HORSES BOARDED
AT REASONABLE RATES.
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DALE & CO.,
PIONEER MUSIC STORE,
J Street, near Seventh,
SACRAMENTO.
New Music received by every steamer.
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New Music received by every steamer.
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HATCH & CARY,
PRACTICAL WATCHMAKERS,
AND DEALERS IN
CLOCKS, WATCHES, GUNS, PISTOLS,
JEWELRY, Etc.
SPECTACLES TO SUIT ALL AGES.
THE LARGEST STOCK OF
GUNS AND PISTOLS
In the city and sold at Lowest Prices. Also Agents
for
CELEBRATED DIAMOND SPECTACLES.
No. 30 Second St., Sacramento.
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S. B. ROTH,
No. 169 J Street, bet. Sixth and Seventh,
SACRAMENTO.
DEALER IN MANUFACTURED
Harness, Saddles, Etc.
Large and extensive assortment always on hand.
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R. H. PETTIT,
No. 55 K Street, between Second and Third,
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Cigar Manufacturer,
AND DEALER IN
HAVANA CIGARS, SMOKING AND CHEWING
TOBACCO.
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VAN HEUSEN & HUNTOON,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
Furniture and Bedding
OF ALL KINDS.
No. 204 J Street, bet. Seventh and Eighth,
SACRAMENTO.
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VON BREYMAN & BRYANT,
MANUFACTURERS OF THE
PEOPLE'S SPRING BED.
THE BEST AND CHEAPEST IN USE, with an
INVALID ATTACHMENT.
Hotels, Lodgings and Dealers supplied at
REDUCED RATES.
Also, the only Portable Bed Room in use and
Best Form State. Call or address
VON BREYMAN & BRYANT,
Eighty St., bet. I and J Sts., Sacramento.
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W. D. COMSTOCK,
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Manufacturer of and Dealer in
Furniture and Bedding,
COR. FIFTH AND K STS.,
SACRAMENTO.
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W. B. McLELLAN,
No. 55 Old Folio Temple, Ninth Street, between
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Real Estate Agent.
HOUSES RENTED, RENTS COLLECTED and all
kinds of Collecting done promptly and prompt-
ly.
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J. P. FLOBERG,
WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER.
No. 60 J Street, between Second and Third,
SACRAMENTO.
Watches and Chronometers repaired and war-
ranted. Jewelry made and repaired. 1215-16

A Song.

BY JOAQUIN MILLER.
If all the world a garden were,
And women were but flowers;
If men were bees that busied there
Through all the summer hours;
Oh! I would hum the garden through,
For honey, till I came to you.

Then I should live within your hair,
Its sun and gold together;
And I should bide in glory there,
Through all the changeable weather.
Oh! I should sip but one, this one
Sweet flower underneath the sun.

Or I would be a king, and coin
Your golden hair for money;
And I would only have to seek
Your lips for hoards of honey.
Oh! I would be the richest king
That ever wore a signet-ring.

The Snow-Flood.
"They're up, I tell you, and out in
force, and there will be blasting roofs
and blood spilled all along the Chinese
frontier, from Kara Sou to Dostverik.
We are safe enough, of course, here
Kischi, behind our strong stockades
and cannon; but there is scarcely a post
to the eastward that can be called secure,
now that the Mongols are over the
border."

"Surely," said I, looking up from my
desk and the invoice in which I was
duty recording packages of tea, coarse
silk, the white, sonorous brass peculiar
to China, and other imports of the Flow-
ery Land, the Mongols will content
themselves with sweeping off some flocks
and herds, and not venture on attacking
any of the settlements. The Russian
military power—"

"It's a far cry as they say in my coun-
try, to St. Petersburg, or even to the
Wolga," grimly responded the first
speaker, whose name was Gilliland.
"These Tartar thieves know well enough
that, short of Irkutsk, there are but some
weak detachments to bar their way. Even
the sortie of Cossacks has been
withdrawn, and, for the moment, the
whole of Eastern Siberia is at the mercy
of the Mongols."

I, Frank Richards, had been, during
two out of the three years which I had
passed in this out of the way corner of
the Russian dominions, a clerk in the
firm of Merton & Paulovitch, the man-
aging partner of which resided at Ir-
kutsk. Mr. Merton was one of those
Englishmen, of whom many are to be
found in the higher mercantile society
in St. Petersburg. He was a man of
great energy, and the member of the
far trading guild.

It was with anger and annoyance that
the rich merchant learned that his clerk
was in love with his only daughter,
Elisabeth, and that the sentiment was recip-
rocated. Mr. Merton, as very natural,
had other views for his daughter.
"I like you, Richards," the merchant
had said to me, not unkindly; "and if
you will be but reasonable and forgo this
folly—ah! well, then, there is no
help for it, I see."

On the fourth day after the outbreak
of hostilities between the Chinese and
the forces of Englishmen, engineers and
Cossack miners, from a valuable mine on
the further bank of the Amoor, the whole
plant of which had been wantonly de-
stroyed by the Mongol hordes, with all
its factories and dwellings, to be in
flames, while the European residents,
with such of their property as they could
save, were slowly retreating, under the
protection of a military escort, toward
Irkutsk.

"Toward Irkutsk!" I exclaimed, in-
credulously; "you surely mean toward
Kischi. It would be running into the
lion's mouth to attempt the long march
over the open plains that lie between the
northern end of Lake Baikal and the
mountains at the head-waters of the
Amoor. No one in his senses would
give such an advantage to the fleet-footed
enemy."

But my informant was positive as to
the route which the caravan of refugees
from Cherinsk had adopted. A Cossack
miner, dispatched thither to purchase
powder for blasting purposes, immedi-
ately before the irruption, had rejoined his
comrades with the news. It appears
that the decision, perforce, as it seemed
to me, to select the long and more
northerly line of march, had been com-
mended by Count Annenkov, who com-
manded the troops and who was a young
man, new to the country, and over-con-
fident in his own judgment.

Hitherto the Mongol horsemen had
contented themselves with hovering like
hawks on the wing, around the destined
prey, keeping at a respectful distance
from the muskets of the soldiery; but
there could be no doubt that they were
waiting the opportunity, in some un-
guarded moment, of swooping down upon
the camp, while the movements of the
fugitives, encumbered as they were by a
heavy baggage train, and accompanied by
several ladies and children, were of neces-
sity slow. That Ellen and her father were
of the company was all but certain.

I could no longer endure the safe in-
action of life at Kischi, and accordingly
formed a resolve, which to many of my
friends appeared rash and wild. This
was, to make my way as best I might to
the caravan, the tardy pace of which
would be readily overtaken by a well
mounted rider, and to persuade Ellen and
her father rather to trust themselves to
my guidance back to Kischi, than to
persevere in the arduous march that lay
before them.

The first long day's march brought me
to a cluster of goat tents pitched on
the bank of a shallow brook, while hard
by grazed the sheep and buffaloes that
I rode up to them without fear—for these
rangers through the plains of Eastern
Siberia have little harm in them—and
recognized in the headman of the camp
an old acquaintance who spoke a little
Russian, and brought in lambskins,
yagout and wild strawberries to the mar-
ket at Kischi.

"I would not push on were I you, Gos-
podin," said the white-headed patriarch,
as he set before me the simple fare—milk
cheese, and mutton kababs—that he had
to offer. "They were here with us yester-
day—some hundreds of the light-
fingered rufes from across the frontier,
and it cost me ten fat sheep and many
fair words to coax them into good be-
havior. They had two white men's heads
set on spear points, for their standards, and
their leader swore not to go back to Mon-
golia without silver enough to plate the
shrines of his Joss-house. They're after
the poor folk from Cherinsk by this
time; not they're any more fancy for the
whistle of a bullet than other people
here."

The gift of a golden eagle, and the
promise of two more coins of the same
mintage, induced the headman to send
with me a barefooted fellow of his tribe,
who would, I was assured, prove quite com-
petent to conduct me to a place whence
I could easily overtake the caravan, and
also keep up with my horse at any pace
short of a gallop. And young Kizim ran
gallantly beside my stirrup over leagues
of grazing ground, and stretches of stony
barrenness, till at length he stopped,
pointing triumphantly to a number of
footprints of horses, oxen, camels and
men, stamped in the half-dried mud of a
shallow water-course, and with a wave of
his hand toward a distant wreath of
smoke, sure sign of a bivouac fire, he re-
ceived from me the glittering eagles,
wrapped the gold in a scrap of raw sheep-
skin, and thrust it into the gourd that
dangled by a thong from his waist, and
with a grin of leave-taking, trotted off
homeward.

I had not ridden half a mile toward the
camp fire before I saw approaching me
a lumbering wabble, some two score of
laden camels, urged on by four horsemen,
whose lances and the Tartar caps they
wore, suggested their nationality as Mon-
golian. Two of them, as soon as they saw
me, threw before me, and came a ghastly
gleam of light, came from the north a
shapeless whiteness, rolling pitilessly on.

"The snow! the snow!" I exclaimed,
as with one voice, urging on our affright-
ed horses to their fullest speed, while be-
hind us, like the tide rising fast over the
sands of the seashore, swept on the white
wave, and burying beneath it, as it ad-
vanced, bush, and mound, and water-
course, and blotting out every feature of
the landscape to the northward. Then
began a race indeed, the alarmed horses
straining every sinew to out-trip the
pursuing foe; but with all our speed the
drift gained upon us, and presently we
found ourselves plunging, and floundering
up to the saddle girths in snow. The
moon's radiance was now too fully ob-
scured, but afar off, to westward, my eye
had caught the ruddy glances of a fire
such as charcoal burners kindle among
the hills, and never did storm-tossed
mariner watch the welcome beacon of
some harbor more eagerly than I did this
sighting light.

The fire, as I had conjectured, was
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proach of the innocents. Up to the door
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most alight on the money. In a flash it
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ing newspapers to all the inhabitants."

The other Europeans, if less supercil-
ious, were almost equally deaf to all the
arguments which I could urge. None of
them had witnessed, though all of them
had heard of, the full force of that snow-
rempest to which the Asiatics had given
so picturesque a name; and none were
willing to run the gauntlet of the prowling
Mongols in order to elude a danger
which might prove mythical. But Ellen,
who believed in me because she loved
me, used all her influence with her father,
and with such good effect that Mr. Mer-
ton yielded a reluctant consent to have
his own and his daughter's horses re-sad-
dled, and to set off, under my guidance,
in the direction indicated by Sing-Si.

As we left the camp, lighted by a
broad full moon that bathed the steps
with silvery brightness, I observed that
the northern sky was growing very dark,
and that the long filaments of gray cloud
had become knit together, as though the
Valleys were indeed busy at the loom of
death. The wind, also, blowing in fitful
gusts, had become piercing cold, and our
very horses snorted and snuffed the air,
as though they sensed the approach of
some viewless peril.

By the time we had ridden, as I
guessed, some two miles from the half-
frozen place, the northern sky had darkened
still more, and the slow sobbing of
desert wind had swelled into a shriek,
while the temperature was perceptibly
lower, so that Ellen shivered more from
cold than fear. We pressed on. Mr.
Merton, as I have said, had been unwilling
to take my counsel; in opposition to
the scoffs and remonstrances of his
friends, but now he said, in an altered
tone—

"Begin to think, Richards, that you
and the Tartar were right. God bless
you for your unselfish kindness, my boy,
whenever comes of this."

Before I could reply a terrified outcry
from Ellen's lips made me turn my head
just as the first quick snowflakes came
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me, used all her influence with her father,
and with such good effect that Mr. Mer-
ton yielded a reluctant consent to have
his own and his daughter's horses re-sad-
dled, and to set off, under my guidance,
in the direction indicated by Sing-Si.

As we left the camp, lighted by a
broad full moon that bathed the steps
with silvery brightness, I observed that
the northern sky was growing very dark,
and that the long filaments of gray cloud
had become knit together, as though the
Valleys were indeed busy at the loom of
death. The wind, also, blowing in fitful
gusts, had become piercing cold, and our
very horses snorted and snuffed the air,
as though they sensed the approach of
some viewless peril.

By the time we had ridden, as I
guessed, some two miles from the half-
frozen place, the northern sky had darkened
still more, and the slow sobbing of
desert wind had swelled into a shriek,
while the temperature was perceptibly
lower, so that Ellen shivered more from
cold than fear. We pressed on. Mr.
Merton, as I have said, had been unwilling
to take my counsel; in opposition to
the scoffs and remonstrances of his
friends, but now he said, in an altered
tone—

"Begin to think, Richards, that you
and the Tartar were right. God bless
you for your unselfish kindness, my boy,
whenever comes of this."

Before I could reply a terrified outcry
from Ellen's lips made me turn my head
just as the first quick snowflakes came
whirling down, and there behind us,
throwing before us as it came a ghastly
gleam of light, came from the north a
shapeless whiteness, rolling pitilessly on.

"The snow! the snow!" I exclaimed,
as with one voice, urging on our affright-
ed horses to their fullest speed, while be-
hind us, like the tide rising fast over the
sands of the seashore, swept on the white
wave, and burying beneath it, as it ad-
vanced, bush, and mound, and water-
course, and blotting out every feature of
the landscape to the northward. Then
began a race indeed, the alarmed horses
straining every sinew to out-trip the
pursuing foe; but with all our speed the
drift gained upon us, and presently we
found ourselves plunging, and floundering
up to the saddle girths in snow. The
moon's radiance was now too fully ob-
scured, but afar off, to westward, my eye
had caught the ruddy glances of a fire
such as charcoal burners kindle among
the hills, and never did storm-tossed
mariner watch the welcome beacon of
some harbor more eagerly than I did this
sighting light.

The fire, as I had conjectured, was
burning high upon one of the wooded
spurs of the mountain range near the
sources of the Amoor, but to reach
such a no trifling task. Our exhausted
horses, worn out by the toilsome feature
through the snow, could scarcely be
urged to fresh exertions, while the rush
of the deepening flood, and the blinding
showers that dashed into our faces,
threatened at each instant to overwhelm
us. We reached the Amoor at last, down
the swollen current of which were whirl-
ing masses of snow, and here Ellen's
horse fell, and could not be raised, while
that of Mr. Merton, gasping and spent,
no longer answered to the spur.

THE WINTERS ADVOCATE.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 1877

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 6. Gentlemen who subscribe for the Advocate to be sent to friends in the East, on their first issue, will confer a favor by informing us if they wish such subscriptions continued, as we had no record of their names left by the former proprietor.

"TAM O'SHANTER."

Last week we made some reference to a black-and-white correspondent of the Yolo Mill who dignifies himself by the nom de plume of "Tam O'Shanter," and for the few remarks we paid to him, he has allowed his angry passions to rise and overflow in half a column of low, vile twaddle which is as disgusting as it is false. His statements about the Advocate are false in toto and he knows it well. The Railroad company has no claim on the Advocate, other than the paper will which all advertisers deserve. Can "Tam O'Shanter," say as much for himself? From the time the present proprietor took charge of this paper, it has steadily risen in its circulation and advertising patronage until it is now independent of any clique or company. Everybody in Winters knows who "Tam" is, and therefore we will crave the pardon for making just a few allusions to his personal notices. We do not propose to deny that "No. 1," is a cheat, for that fact is generally known and admitted throughout this portion of California, at least, and that the Advocate is one of the best weekly papers. As for "No. 2," none will deny that he has more "larina" than Mr. O'Shanter has, or ever had. "No. 3," is too well known hereabouts for "Tam" to have ought to say about him. That "No. 4," business is the price of "Tam O'Shanter" and he gauges everybody by his own value. No doubt if our friend kept away from saloons he would not be hoodwinked. We would advise him to join the I. O. O. F. It would do him good and he could "raise" more chickens on his way home every night than he can by hand in a year. We know of a fellow that "raises" a dozen pullets every night he attends the meetings in Winters. We would suggest to "Tam" that sheep-herding would be a vocation more suited to him than the one he is now following, and for the sake of Christianity are willing to give him the next situation that offers.

COUNTRY ROADS.

It is well again that the Board of Supervisors of Yolo county were taking active measures to provide the citizens of this vicinity with roads leading into Winters. Winters has now been established nearly two years, and is the second town of the county, both in population and business importance, and with one exception, there are no county roads leading to it. What fault is this? Petitions have been signed and forwarded to the Supervisors, asking that enough land be condemned and bought by the county for public roads, but no action has yet been taken on them, and the result is that now we are a town fenced in, and at the mercy of some farmers, who if they see fit to lock their gates, which are always closed, would greatly inconvenience the travelling public. It would not take much exertion to secure roads to Davisville and Woodland, the distance to the county road is only about one mile, and the owners of the land along the proposed route, offer to give one half of the way, if the county will purchase the other half. Will not our Board of Supervisors see to it before long, that Winters is connected with the county seat by a public road? They owe it to themselves and the county.

W. O. Warnock, of the Winters Advocate paid our sanction a visit on Monday last. He has to sit around lively to keep the kettle boiling.—Yolo Mail.

We would advise Bro. Wagstaff, to scan the advertising columns of the Advocate and see if they look slim. The Yolo Mail, has been advertised for sale, for the last two years, and can not find a buyer, while we have had a dozen offers for either a half or whole interest. How is that?

So dull is business in Washington that the district marshal has received some 300 letters from people desiring to serve as jurors so as to support their families, no other employment being open to them.

Horseradish is said to be a remedy for neuritis. Grate and mix it in vinegar, the same as for table purposes, and apply to the temple when the head is affected, or to the wrist when the pain is in arm or shoulder.

On a masquerade night the Duke of Norfolk, of his time, asked Foote what character he should appear in. "Don't go disguised," said Foote, "but assume a new character—go sober."

Idleness may prolong its existence for four years longer by fraud and perjury, but it is stricken with a mortal leprosy from which it can never recover.

Another commission is about to be sent to Louisiana, to investigate,

OUR CORRESPONDENCE.

CACHEVILLE.

CACHEVILLE, March 21, 1877.

EDITOR ADVOCATE: You will remember that in my last I promised not to trouble you often. In fact after I had seen the disastrous effects of my innocent efforts I fully determined to abandon my literary course, so late begun. Why sir, within two hours after the Advocate arrived, not one was to be found in town. But women are inexorable. No matter at what sacrifice of personal feelings, their tongues cannot be idle and see their rights jeopardized. We must talk and that is just what I propose to do. First I will take a retrospective view and note the progress of improvement. Several dwelling houses have been erected during the last month. This of course contributes favorably to the appearance of our burg. But what pleases us most is, we are soon to have another mercantile establishment—not one of your one horse establishments, but a genuine store. One that will be a benefactor to the town and not a detriment. We are tired of supporting Woodland.

O yes; I must tell you something about the recent postal changes. It so happened that our Postmaster, who by the way, is fully efficient, saw fit to resign. The citizens drew up a petition requesting the appointment of J. Borch to the office thus made vacant. No other petition was circulated and everybody considered the appointment of Borch unquestionable, until notice came through the press stating the appointment of G. F. Wherry, who was totally ignorant of having any claim to the office. News also came that our tonorial apostate had received the mission of carrying the mails. There was "bull doing" somewhere, and suspicion arises concerning the partisan integrity of Postmaster General Key.

I was one of a party that went from here to Blackville last Thursday night to attend a dance given by A. C. Turner on opening his new hotel at that place. We had a jolly time. The Cacheville boys showed off admirably, especially the one with a smooth face, standing collar and borrowed neck-tie. He would have outdone even the Grand Duke Alexis. The fact is, the Blackville girls "got away" with them—or us, I don't know which. Blackville is a town of growing interest, but the sidewalks are very bad, and the streets are not in the best condition. "Cyril" and "Cacheville," of the Democrat and Mail went there looking for items, I suppose.

Cacheville is profuse of epigrams, and here is the latest. There lives here a Miss A. who is possessed of beauty, elegance and grace combined; and natural enough her admirers are not few. Her fascinating qualities have had the serious effect of bewitching a gentleman who will call Mr. B. He is, or was, so far gone that his love was next to madness; but the poor fool had under ventured even so far as to speak to his "beau ideal." So the (cruel) boys sought to play a practical joke on the unfortunate lover. Accordingly one was dispatched to inform him that Miss A. had avowed herself deeply in love with him, and all that stood in their way was her father who was adverse to their love making. To remedy this he was told that the girl was even anxious to meet him the following night at a certain place accompanied by his adviser where an introduction and an interview should take place; but he was warned to look out for the "old man." To this the son of Venus agreed. At the appointed time he would be consoled, in company with another—not a lady, however, dressed in female apparel wended their way to the place of meeting. In due time Cupid was seen to approach, using all the caution of an experienced Indian fighter and keeping a good lookout for the "old man." The "introduction" was about to take place, when a form emerged from a fence corner and the report of a shot-gun made the very trees to tremble. "Counselor" fell exclaiming, "My God! I'm shot!" B. struck off at lightning speed and all along the road was a continuous fire of shot guns and revolvers. His plight on reaching town can be better imagined than described. He left town next day and has not been seen since.

I understand our sister town of Madison is doing well in spite of the pettifoggery of "Tam O'Shanter," a luminary of your town. By the way, at what point does the mercury of genius range in your town before it explodes? I hope you will see to it that "Tammy" is well cared for. Keep his head bathed well with ice water, and rub him down each day with a fine toothed comb. If this fails to develop any fine points in his literary culture, I would suggest as a last resort, that you consign him to the branch Asylum at Napa, where superior medical treatment may be had.

There is much more I would like to say but I fear my letter is too long already. "An revoir," HANNAH.

DAVISVILLE.

DAVISVILLE, March 20, 1877.

EDITOR ADVOCATE: I have read a letter published in the Yolo Democrat of March 15th, in which the writer, in my humble opinion, makes some very appropriate and proper suggestions pertaining to the course that should be pursued by the Democratic party of Yolo county. In placing a ticket before the people of this county for their votes, we must have harmony, as is remarked by the writer in the letter above referred to, without harmony in the party, defeat is certain. The plan suggested in said letter is good, safe, fair and one that all can have a fair show to know, whether or no the people desire their services in the field as candidates for office. In fact it is the only plan that I know of that can restore order and harmony to the Democratic party of this county, and all the Democrats of Davisville, that I have heard express themselves, are strongly in favor of the plan, and as the author of the letter to the Democrat, living in West Cottonwood, has led the forlorn hope in proposing a plan for the harmony of the party, and one that we think will secure victory and the election of every candidate on the Democratic ticket, I adopted. It has been proposed to-day by several of the leading

Democrat of Davisville, that we lead

starting a petition to be presented to the County Central Committee, asking them to call our next primary election, as has been suggested by "Hornet J. J. J." We feel that no Democrat can have any objection to the fairness of such a proposition, as none but the wire-pullers, political tricksters and manipulators who go to altogether to the plan, add from this belief we feel the more sanguine of success if the plan proposed be adopted. We are quite sure that the Democrats of this place are almost all in favor of the plan and we are glad to hear so many of our leading Democrats of this place express themselves, it shows that they are men of principle and fair dealing. We Democrats of Davisville are always ready and willing to do battle for principle, right, justice and the Democratic ticket. But while we feel that we have been abused, wronged, cheated and defrauded, yet we are proud to say that we are not unlike the late Democratic candidate for Supervisor of the 5th District, who all good men of the county sympathize with, believing he was defeated by the trickery of unscrupulous wire-pullers, claiming to be Democrats. We are not sore headed, but are ready to join hands with all good men and work to maintain and perpetuate the great principles of the Democratic party. And, in order that our labor may be availing, we must recognize and unite upon some plan that is fair and does injustice to none. Nominate our candidates upon it, and then our labors will be rewarded with the election of our whole ticket. If the leaders of our party should go in the same old groove they have travelled heretofore, and nominate the ticket by a Delegated Convention and allow the tricksters to so pull the wires as to thwart the choice and wish of the people, we can expect nothing else but defeat, for while we are ready and willing to work for our ticket, when we see nothing but divisions and splits in our ranks that confuses the whole party, we see that our efforts are futile and hopeless, hence many withdraw from the conflict and the victory is given to our enemies. I have heard many Democrats express my sentiments in saying that if the party will adopt some plan that will harmonize the different factions, for different factions we do have, that none can deny, they will work and do all they can for the ticket, but if this is not done, all they will do is to vote, and they are indifferent about that as it is useless to do anything with any hope of success. I have heard others say that if some system is not adopted to unite the party, they will, they vote at all costs, they will regardless of politics, and vote for them. And I have heard still another class say that if the Democrats go into Convention and log-roll, try and sell, and fix up a ticket that is not the choice of the people they will do all in their power to defeat it, but if they pursue an honest and fair course, and nominate a ticket that is satisfactory to our enemies, they will vote for it, and they will do all they can to elect such a ticket.

Now, Mr. Editor, these are pertinent facts, there is no denying it, and the time for action is close at hand. We have no time to lose, and I hope that steps will be taken in time to bring about the unity of our party and that we may be unit, one and all, on our next Democratic ticket, when our success in the election of the whole ticket will be the inevitable result, and your correspondent will ever pray.

MINI CORA FUTUR.

EDITOR ADVOCATE: Being a sufferer from the effects of poison oak, I would respectfully ask through the columns of your valuable paper, a safe and reliable remedy with regard to exterminating the virus from the system. By answering the above you will confer a great favor on many sufferers.

We would refer you to Mr. Thomas Keefe of the Pioneer Drug Store, Main street, Winters. He is reliable and competent to attend to your case.

A Natural Curiosity.

In the great valley between the North and South mountains, in Pennsylvania, commonly called the Eastern Ridges, a well was dug some years since in Franklin, and deeper in Cumberland county, thirty or forty miles from the former, which led to a discovery affording a subject for interesting speculation. After proceeding in each instance to the depth of about thirty-six feet, the bottom of these wells gave way (but fortunately when the workmen had retired) and a torrent of water rushed up. A head was sunk with fifty fathoms of line without finding the least obstruction. They remain at this time untouched and of unknown depth. The presumption is, that there is a subterranean lake in that quarter, and how far it extends under the hills of the west primitive mountains, situated between the Susquehanna and Pittsburgh, will never be ascertained, unless by some terrible convulsion of nature, they should be precipitated in the tremendous abyss.

The Fresno Examiner wants to know how long it will be before Republican party leaders will be beating around over Democratic counties in quest of local offices, urging that partisan considerations should not control Democrats in the casting of their votes.

Wonder of wonders, the New York Times, during the campaign, one of the most vile and slanderous sheets opposing Gov. Tilden, is about to withdraw its support from his Fraudulency. Can such things be?

Pinchback has been expelled from the Radical State Central Committee of Louisiana. Pinchback was a great scoundrel but too honest for his associates on the Committee.

J. H. D. Wingfield, Bishop of the Episcopal Missionary Diocese of Northern California, has established another parish in Sacramento, to be known as St. Paul's Parish.

The millennium is coming. His Fraudulency Returning Board Hayes, refused to appoint a man to office, because his wife is a distant relative of Mrs. Hayes.

GENERAL ITEMS.

Last week the material of the Dixon Dispatch was attached for debt by Miller & Richards, type foundryman of San Francisco. A person named Owen, of Dixon, assumed the sum of the indebtedness, and his brother, now in the southern part of the State, will continue the publication of the paper.

Ripe wild blackberries were picked Tuesday, March 13th, near Bodega, Sonoma county.

The Colusa Sun states that mildew is attacking the wheat crop in Colusa county, and that paper is afraid that it may do great harm.

Tassey Stewart, of Marysville, who was arrested for attempting to bribe ex-Secretary Chandler in the sum of \$300 has been acquitted.

Fred Douglas has been appointed and confirmed as U. S. Marshal for the District of Columbia.

A reward of \$2,000 has been offered for the apprehension of John T. Beales, late Secretary of the California Stock and Exchange Board, who on the 3d inst. absconded with \$16,000 belonging to that institution.

A New York hatter exhibits a high silk hat with a blue glass crown, and advertises to cure any kind of a head but a "dead-head."

Fred B. Sweeney, the friend and associate of Tweed in the palmy days, has returned to New York and will stand trial.

Strawberries now appear regularly in the Sacramento markets.

Thistleton, pal her of the Jolly Giant, has been convicted in the City Criminal Court of San Francisco, of libelling Miss Tibbs of Brooklyn, Alameda county, and will be sentenced to-day by Judge Fernal.

Judge Stanley Mathews, has been chosen United States Senator from Ohio, for the unexpired term of Senator Sherman, who has taken a place in Hayes' Cabinet.

As San alias Chin Mok Sow, a Chinaman convicted of murder in the first degree, in San Francisco, has been sentenced to be hanged on Friday, April 13th.

A fatal runaway occurred at Gilroy on Sunday, by which Henry Herron, a young man 24 years of age, lost his life.

Last Saturday, St. Patrick's day, was generally observed throughout the country. The price of Los Angeles Hones is steadily rising in the San Francisco market. Mr. Garey received \$10 a thousand for his last consignment.

The snow at Alta is reported five feet deep.

Sisson, Wallace & Co. have begun the work of building six large farmhouses of brick and stone down at the mouth of Martine creek, near Truckee.

Senator Sargent has obtained a promise from Prof. Baird, United States Fish Commissioner, that still larger installations of shad and carp shall be planted in California waters this Summer.

MARRIED.
 At Woodland, March 18, 1877, by Elder Peck, George, of CHAS. HALL, of the City Hall, to Miss FANNIE THOMPSON.

BORN.
 In Pleasant Valley, March 20, 1877, to the wife of E. R. Thurber, a son.
 Two miles east of Woodland, March 4th, 1877, to the wife of William Henry, a son.
 In Buckeye township, March 19, 1877, to the wife of the late J. M. Stephens, a daughter.

DIED.
 In Winters March 20, 1877, infant daughter of J. N. Mayes.

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PERSONAL.

The Emperor and Empress of Brazil are at Rome.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology has several Japanese students.

Professor S. C. Bartlett has accepted the Presidency of Dartmouth College.

Mr. Lamar, Senator-elect from Mississippi, carries a five-barreled revolver.

There is a report to the effect that Grant will be given the mission to England.

The Woman's Journal says the Harvard students don't know how to behave in public places.

It is gravely stated that Mr. Moody almost invariably begins his discourses with the direct address, "you young."

Hon. H. P. Bell, the Democratic nominee, has been elected to Congress in the Ninth District, Georgia, in place of Ben Hill.

It is announced that Professor Young of Dartmouth has concluded to accept the professorship tendered him by the trustees of Princeton College.

The Duke of Anjou is the owner of Rembrandt's "Resurrection of Lazarus," for which the czar offered, about fifteen years ago, the sum of \$140,000.

Three of Washington's third cousins, the grandchildren of Warner Washington, of Virginia, are now living, one poor and dependent, in Gardenville, Ky.

General Badcock, late private Secretary of General Grant, has taken charge of the Fifth Light Infantry, to which he was assigned as Major of Engineers.

A notable heathen Chinaman is in San Francisco now. He is named Y. Chow, and is a member of the English bar. He took a seat, by special invitation, among the attorneys in the Fourth District Court in that city the other day.

Herbert Spencer, the English philosopher, is in very poor health, and his friends think it affecting the character of his work, his last volume bearing "marks of hurried thought and fragmentary writing." He is not fifty, and is unmarried.

Judge Black, when he wants to quote Longfellow, would rather overdo it than to be found making a note on it. This is what he said the other day before Congressmen in council: "Though the mills of God grind slow, they grind dreadful fine."

"Murphy's Army," as the plodgers in Pittsburg and Allegheny are called, now numbers 40,000, the most of them men. Mr. Murphy, having been charged with receiving a large salary for his labors, he has offered to work without compensation.

The Astors have given notice to all their tenants—and they are numbered by hundreds—that after the 1st of May next a reduction of ten per cent. will be made upon their rents. This is the third reduction of a similar amount which they have made since the panic.

Col. Henry Lee began the course of lectures in aid of the Old South Fund at Boston recently. Of the old town of Boston, he said, there remain but three monuments: Pauline Hall, the Old State House (sooty mirrored and transformed), and the Old South Church.

Peter the Great, it has been discovered, was the founder of the first Russian newspaper and also the first editor ever known in Russia. He was his own foreign correspondent, translating from the foreign journals, and conducting and preparing the news for the edification of his subjects.

Dr. Philippe de Mottis, the head of the department of public instruction in Brazil and minister to the United States, is traveling through this country examining the school system of each State. It will be several years before he returns to Brazil, as he intends to examine the European schools also.

One of Commodore Vanderbilt's daughters went to him for assistance for her husband, but the old man refused to give language more forcible than polite to a young man. He came down, however, when he saw his daughter had put in the newspapers an advertisement that she was prepared to receive boarders, and referring to her father.

All Mr. Longfellow's friends living near him went to see him on his 70th birthday; a sort of informal reception was held all day long in the handsome old house. Even people who scarcely knew the venerable poet ventured to present themselves, and were delighted by the gracious fashion in which they were received.

The girls of Summerville, South Carolina, who are described as the "nicest, prettiest, richest, sunniest and merriest that ever broke a heart," made merry over the President's prohibition of a parade in Charleston on the 22d of February by sending him the following dispatch:

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The great events in man's life are his birth, his marriage and his death. The newspapers generally have a column devoted to these three events, and family records are always arranged under these headings.

These we may say are the greatest events, but the bride trying to get her husband to propose is a single relative of the most trying ordeal that man has to undergo.

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